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1. ARTICLE PUBLISHED ETHIOPIAN HERALD ON APRIL NINE SUMMARIZED LOCUST SITUATION AND DLCOEA ACTIVITIES THIS REGARD: QUOTE A FEW SOLITARY ADULTS SIGHTED RED SEA COAST ETHIOPIA NEAR SUDAN BORDER. ELSEWHERE NO LOCUSTS REPORTED BY GROUND TEAM WHICH WAS IN AREA UNTIL MID-MARCH. SOME ADULTS STILL PRESENT NEAR ADDAILO SOUTH OF MASSAWA. SUDAN CLEAR OF LOCUSTS DUE EFFORT MOUNTED TOKAR DELTA AND KHOR KORORA DURING JAN-FEB.

WIDESPREAD HEAVY RAINS NORTHERN SOMALIA, FTAI AND HARRAR PROVINCE ETHIOPIA. DESSIE ESCARPMENT GREEN. SUDAN NO RAINS REPORTED.

GROUND SURVEYS FROM MOGADISCIO CARRIED OUT FIRST WEEK APRIL ALONG COAST TO EIL THEN INLAND GAROE, GARDU, SCUSCUBAN, OFEIN AND GALKAYO. FEW SOLITARY ADULTS PERSIST COASTAL AREA LAS KHOREH. SOME SCATTERED ADULTS IN GERIAD PLAINS LAST WEEK FEB.

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AERIAL SURVEYS CONDUCTED ASMARA AND RED SEA COAST NORTH

MASSAWA. THREE GROUND TEAMS RED SEA COAST UNTIL THIRD WEEK MARCH.
THIS PERIOD AREA REPORTED FREE OF LOCUSTS.

NO LOCUSTS REPORTED RAILWAY AREA EASTERN ETHIOPIA, FTAI,
KENYA, UGANDA, TANZANIA.

SUMMARY: LOCUST POPULATIONS COAST SOMALIA WILL REMAIN AND BREED
DUE FAVORABLE CONDITIONS. SCATTERED POPULATIONS REPORTED ADDAILO
WILL MATURE AND MAY BREED IF CONDITIONS SUITABLE. NORTHERN RED
SEA COAST ETHIOPIA-SUDAN WILL NOT HAVE SIGNIFICANT LOCUST
POPULATION DUE DRY WEATHER SINCE MIDDLE FEB. UNQUOTE.

2. USAID/E CONVERSATION WITH DLCOEA REPORTED REF B, CONFIRMS
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